detailed exercise to Review Centrally Sponsored Schemes with the objective of transferring those to the State which fall within the competence of State Governments. In principle those schemes which have an inter-State character, those which impinge on national security or where Central supervision is essential for effective implementation of schemes of national priority and externally financed projects, as per the Approach Paper, would be retained with the Centre. Details will be worked out in the Ninth Plan.

(c) In the Ninth Plan it is proposed to bring about a greater integration of the various rural development programmes especially the provery alleviation schemes and area development programmes within the framework of democratic decentralised planning. The Panchayati Raj Institutions through the District Planning Committees would plan and implement these programmes.

(d) The Planning Commission is not aware of any Committee called the Sukhtanpare Committee. However, a Committee, under the Chairmanship pf Prof. C.H. Hanumantha Rao was set up in 1994 to review the area development programmes of DPAP and DDP. The selection of blocks under the DPAP programme have been done as per the criteria recommended by the Hanumantha Rao Committee which is based on mosnture index and the percentage of irrigated area to net sown area.

Supply to Super Bazar at Higher Prices

5795. SHRI JANG BAHADUR SINGH PATEL : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Super Bazar has approved the proposals to supply the tubelights and other items of some of the suppliers on the maximum retail price after taking some discount from them rather than to purchase the same at the dealers price;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is any proposal to inquire into the matter and to bring to book the officials of the Super Bazar who continue to purchase the tubelights and bulbs at MRP less some discount and to blacklist all such suppliers forthwith; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) As per the information furnished by the Super Bazar, Delhi, it is following the practice of obtaining the supply of tubelights and other items through the authorised distributors of the manufacturers on Maximum Retial Price basis less discount ranging between 10% to 25%.

(c) and (d) The Super Bazar is making constant efforts to prevail upon the manufacturers to supply their items on dealers price. As a resut of these efforts, M/s. Mysore Lamps have started supplying their products through their distributors on dealers price w.e.f. 4.4.1997. Other suppliers are also being persuaded by the Super Bazar to supply their products on dealers price.

Forest Produce

5796. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any restrictions have been imposed on the removal and sale of timber and other forest produce standing on the private lands in Meghalaya;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the policy of the Government in regard to the utilization of timber logs already stacked on the private fields; and

(d) the arrangements made for the disposal of forest produce other than timber growing on the private fields?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and would be laid on the Table of the House.

Selling of Sub-Standard Items by Super Bazar

5797. SHRI RAMSAGAR : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Super Bazar has been selling sub-standard and poor quality items to the consumers;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to get removed all such items from the Super Bazar;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) According to the inormation furnished by the Super Bazar, Delhi, they are not selling any sub-standard and poor quality items to the consumers.

(b) to (d) In view of (a) above, do not arise.